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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Katsunori YAMAZAKI

Group Art Unit: 2629

Application No.:

10/662,371

Examiner:

K. XIAO

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For:

ELECTRO-OPTICAL DEVICE, METHOD OF DRIVING THE SAME, CIRCUIT FOR

DRIVING THE SAME, AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the April 17, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Park (US 2003/0179165). Applicants respectfully traverses this rejection.

Specifically, Applicant asserts that the 102(e) rejection over Park is improper because Park does not qualify as a prior art reference. The present application has a foreign priority date of September 20, 2002, whereas Park, at the earliest, has an effective filing date of March 24, 2003. The present application is an accurate English translation of the Japanese Patent JP2002-275197, and therefore, the present application antedates the Park reference. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdrawal the 102(e) rejection.

In view of the foregoing, is respectfully submitted this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-7 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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